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SUBJ: T.O.P. AND US SUPPLY SHORTAGES

1. "COMMERCE TODAY" OF NOVEMBER 26 CARRIED A STORY ON SUPPLY SHORTAGES IN THE INDUSTRIAL MARKETPLACE IN THE US. THE DECEMBER 17 "WALL STREET JOURNAL" HAD AN ARTICLE OUTLINING EVEN MORE SHORTAGES THAN COVERED IN "COMMERCE TODAY". THESE ARTICLES LED THE EMBASSY TO WONDER ABOUT THE VALUE OF SUBMITTING TRADE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ITEMS IN SHORT SUPPLY IN THE US. WE SUGGEST THAT COMMERCE MIGHT CONSIDER DRAWING UP A LIST OF SHORT-SUPPLY ITEMS WHICH COULD BE CIRCULATED TO ALL POSTS. POSTS COULD BE ADVISED NOT TO SUBMIT TRADE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THESE PRODUCTS. IN ADDITION TO SAVING UNNECESSARY WORK IN SUBMITTING AND PROCESSING TRADE OPPORTUNITIES, WOULD IT NOT BE IN THE US NATIONAL INTEREST NOT TO PUSH EXPORT OF THESE ITEMS WHILE SHORTAGES EXIST?

2. JUST YESTERDAY THE EMBASSY ACCEPTED A TRADE OPPORTUNITY FOR CERTAIN GOODS WE KNOW TO BE IN SHORT SUPPLY BUT DID ADVISE THE POTENTIAL PURCHASER OUR SUBMISSION OF A TRADE OPPORTUNITY MIGHT NOT BRING ANY RESULTS.
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